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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Harold R. Blomquist
Serial No. : 09/553,137
Filing Date : April 19, 2000
For : GAS GENERATING MATERIAL
FOR VEHICLE OCCUPANT
PROTECTION DEVICE
Group Art Unit : 3641
Examiner : E. Miller
Attorney Docket No. : TRW(VSSIM)4419
Cleveland, OH 44114-1400

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 9, 2001,
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at line 14, of
page 7, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--The polyurethane thermoplastic elastomer of the present
invention comprises linear copolymers that are physically
cross-linked by hydrogen bonds.--